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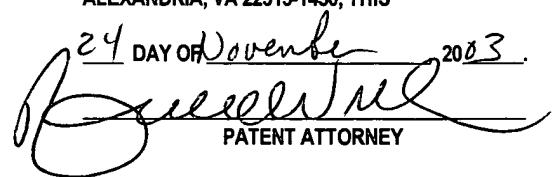
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Sir:

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This application relies, under 35 U.S.C. § 120, on the earlier filing date of prior Application No. 09/593,594, filed on June 14, 2000. References listed on the enclosed PTO Form 1449 were submitted to and/or cited by the Office in the prior application and copies are therefore not required to be provided herewith under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d). For the record, a copy of an International Search Report in a corresponding PCT was provided in the parent case and is also submitted herewith.

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